80 PER CENT COMPLETED

COMMON PIORING

Cotton picking in the southeastern Tulare county area was estimated by ginners as 80% complete this week, with harvest far ahead of an average year as a result of early crop maturity VOL, I-NO. 22 and excellent picking weather.

daily and indications now are that yield, on an average throughout the Woodville, Poplar and Porterville area will be excellent.

Saturday, the season total on cotton ginned reached 25,230 bales, with the following breakdown: Tule River Cooperative Gin, Inc. 10,500 bales; Woodville Gin Inc., 5,213 bales; San Joaquin Cotton Oil company gin at Woodville, 5,479 bales and Poplar, 4,038 bales.

Ginners state that if rainy weather does not set in, practically the entire cotton crop will be picked within the next two or three weeks '.

Woodville Mosquito **Petitions Ready**

Petitions asking formation of a mosquito abatement district in the Woodville area are now being circulated by the Woodville chamber of commerce, with actual petitions available for signature at Joe and Jack's store and at Jim's Place. Additional petitions are being carried by Jack Monroe and Kirby Wyllie.

An effort will first be made land owners in the area, it is stated. If formation of the district is looked upon favorably, it is planned to include the area of Woodville, Tipton, Pixley and Alpaugh as a single unit that would be annexed to the existing Tulare Mosquito Abatement dis-

Assisting Woodville chamber of commerce members in handling details of district formation is Rolland Henderson, superintendent of the Tulare district. Set At 900 Cars

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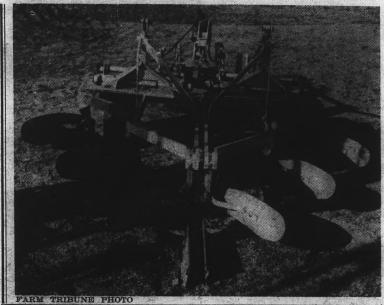
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The four gins in this district RODEO GROUND AND RACE TRACK UNDER CONSTRUCTION are totalling about 400 bales RODEO

NEW PLOW IS PROVING EFFICIENT Grading Started



THE JED PLOW, invented by J. E. Dooley of Woodville, is designed to meet conditions existing on farms in the San Joaquin. valley and western states area. As shown in the above picture, all six bottoms are down, however, in operation, three bottoms acrry while the three on the opposite side are in the ground. The plow is being placed in commercial production, by Dooley.

Thirty-Six Years Of Farm Experience to get the signatures of large Backs Plow Designed By Woodville Man

Thirty-six years of experience past 11 years . with farm implements and a desire to build a piece of equipment that would meet farm conditions as they exist in the San Joaquin valley, has resulted in the designing and construction of the new-type, JED plow by J. E. Dooley, proprietor of the Woodville blacksmith shop and a resident of Woodville for the

Navel Prorate

Central California prorate of Navel oranges, for the week December 7-13, has been set at 900 cars, as compared to 1600 cars for the current week.

Arizona prorate for next week is 60 cars and southern California will move Navels without restrictions, with possibly 25 cars expected to be shipped.

A upturn in the eastern market is being anticipated by local shippers, with improvement of present prices expected.

The new plow, which has been tested under field conditions and improved over the past two years by its inventor, is now ready for commercial production, and Meeting Planned arrangements have been completed by Dooley with the Central Valley Manufacturing company of Tulare and Visalia for the manufacturing of the plow on a royalty basis:

TWO TYPES

Two types of the plow have been constructed by Dooley: a four bottom and a six bottom two-way model. One side of the plow carries while the opposite side is in the ground, with the six-bottom model covering about eight feet of ground on a round trip across a field.

The plow, which is constructed entirely of steel, operates hydraulically and works smoothly at any depth. Its wheels ride

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At Bartlett Ranch East Of Porterville

Construction of a rodeo arena and a "hot rod" racing track was this week started by Loren T. Barlett on his ranch at the base of Rocky hill east of Porterville, with plans calling for a seating capacity of 5,000 for each of the projects.
Graders are leveling the ranch

area just north of the old Porterville golf course, pushing the dirt up the lower slope of Rocky hill to form a base for wooden seats. The rodeo ground and the hot rod track will be adjacent to each other, with the rodeo setup on the east, the hot rod track on the west. Seats will face the south.

Cooperating with Barlett are members of the Orange Belt Saddle club, who plan to stage two rodeos per year, date of the first tentatively set for the middle of may, 1948. The rodeos are expected to be "big time" events. held under regulations of official shows of the Rodeo Cowboy association.

CLUBHOUSE ON HILL In addition, a clubhouse for the saddle club is to be con-(Continued on Page 2)

Local Fair Group

Committee members, investigating various aspects of a possible agricultural fair or other event related to farming in this community, will meet next Wednesday evening, December 10 at 7:30 o'clock, in the Porterville chamber of commerce office.

Three matters are expected to receive consideration: A permanent organization; possible locations for a fair or other farm event and actual plans and possible cost of a fair or livestosk sale setup.

Serving on the committee are: Rolla Bishop, F. R. Farnsworth, Cyrille Faure, Chester Gilbert, Joe Menne, Victor Bowker, Vernon Gill, "Babe" Hodgson, M. L, Grimsley, Earl Mortensen and Bill Rodgers.

Woodville Man Invents Plow

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on top of the ground, it pulls straight behind a tractor, and leaves no ridges in the field where it is worked. Dooley states that it maintains its set depth in hard or soft ground, and runs

level at all times.

Four of the plows are in op- Work Started eration at the present time: one six-bottom model and three four-bottom models. Others are in process of construction, with Dooley at present completing a model designed to go exceptionally deep as it works.

Dooley has worked with farm

Rodeo Ground

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structed east of the rodeo grounds on a small hill overlooking the grounds and the valley area East of Porterville. This building will have kitchen facilities and will be 24x110 feet.

The rodeo arena will be 150x-400 feet, with eight bucking shutes, corrals, calf-roping shutes and a catch corral. Announcer and judges stand will be above the bucking shutes.

Both the rodeo ground and the hot rod track will lighted for night use. An area of about 20 acres will be available for parking, according to Bartlett.

QUARTER-MILE TRACK

The hot rod track will be constructed so that it will be suitable for motorcycle races and other motor events. The circular track will be a quarter-mile in length.

Tentative plans have been made for the eventual addition of a horse racing track, however, this is not included in the work that is now underway.

The Orange Belt Saddle Club states that the rodeo grounds will be available for local horse shows and small rodeos throughout the year, in addition to the to the two official shows staged by the saddle club

Completion of construction is expected by early spring, Bartlett says.

Marvin Kirschenmann, Shafter high school student, showed the grand champion steer at the Great Western Livestock show last week end. The animal is a Hereford, Shafter Royal.

implements for a period of 36 years. Sometime ago he got the idea that eastern made plows are not too-well adapted to western conditions, so he started working on his own design. Patents have been applied for on the new plow, which will be marketed under the registered name of the JED plow.

A regional program for forecasting the spread of crop plant diseases will be set up by the []. S. department of agriculture under the Research and Marketing act of 1946, it has been announced by Administrator E. A. Mever.

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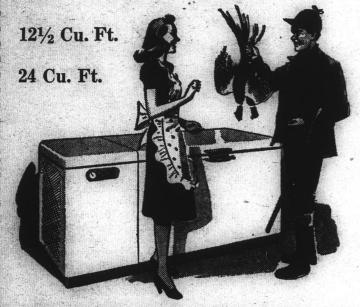
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HIGHWAY WORK WILL START

Survey of highway 65 between Ducor and Lindsay, in preparation for improvement and rerouting, has been authorized by the California department of public works, and surveys are now being made on west Olive for improvement from a point about one mile west of the Tule river crossing to Cotton Center.

No official statement has been made as to the possible new route of highway 65 or where it will pass through Porterville. Eventually, the highway will be

Sheela Service Completes New Shop Building

A new aluminum and concrete building, housing latest equipment for automobile body repair steam cleaning and car painting, has been completed by Oren Sheela in the rear of the Main Street location of Sheela service in Porterville.

THE FARM

The section of the building set aside for car painting is equipped by Sprayking, with com-

improved from Ducor through to Woodlake.

County Cotton At 113,000 Bales

Tulare county cotton harvest reached 113,000 bales as of the end of last week, with an estimated 90 per cent of the crop in. Reports are that favorable growing weather of the past sea-

plete protection from dust during the painting job obtained by filtering air for the room through spun glass inlets.

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son will result in perhaps the heaviest average per acre yield on record.

Indications are that a greater acreage of cotton will be planted next year. Throughout the nation as a whole, cotton acreage this year is about four million acres less than federal agencies estimated was needed to meet current demands.

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Payments Have \$500 Limit In 1948

Farmers who are planning now to carry out soil and water conservation practices under the 1948 Agricultural Conservation program should not overlook the \$500 limitation on payments advises Domer F. Power, chairman of the Tulare County Agricultural Conservation Program committee

Power states that although less than two per cent of the farmers who participated in the 1946 program earned more than \$500, all farmers should be aware that under the 1948 program, no payment to any person is to exceed \$500.

He explained that payments made to farmers under the Agricultural Conservation program are to help defray the cost of approved conservation pra-

Federal Tax Extra

Community Chorus Plans To Present Christmas Program

A program of Christmas music will be presented by the Porterville Community chorus the evening of December 10 at 8:15 o'clock in the Porterville Union High School auditorium, with the local musical group under the direction of Bernard C. Rockwood of Fresno.

Members of the mixed chorus represent the communities of Springville, Terra Bella, Exeter, Lindsay and Porterville. Guest artist during the evening will be Mrs. Adele Luker, concert violinist.

Inculded on the December 10 program will be the Fred Waring arrangement of "The Night Before Christmas," a choralogue, with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Beattie, noted vocalist, in solo parts. Also included will be numbers from the "Messiah" and such old favorites as, "Silent Night," "O, Little Town of Bethlehem," "Hark the Herald" and others.

The Porterville chorus is the only musical group of its kind in the San Joaquin valley. It is composed of "people who like to sing and who want to serve

ctices which are needed to protect the nation's soil and water resources. Instead of hiring the of agriculture through the ACP assists farmers in carrying out the needed conservation practices. Assistance is given both in payments and in materials and services. This assistance aver ages about 50 percent of the cost, with, in many instances,

Again in 1948, as in past years, every dollar of federal funds will be made to go as far as possible in buying conservation. County and state farmer committeemen have been working out the details of the 1948 Agricultural Conservation Program so that a Conservation program can be carried on with-

the community by giving people a chance to sing and to hear good music."

This year's program is the third annual presentation for the chorus. Tickets, the sale of which offset necessary expenses, may be obtained at Cobb Drug company, Claubes Pharmacy, Smith's bakeries and from chorus members.

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Starts Springville Substation Work

Grading work on the site of Southern California Edison Company's Springville substation, located five mfles east and two miles north of Porterville, will begin early in December, according to A. T. Lawson, San Joaquin valley division manager for the company. This will be the Company's newest major substation.

Costing approximately \$1,600, 000, the Springville station is at present in the design stage. It is expected that the station will be operational by July, 19-

R. R. Sparks, Edison district manager, explained that Springville will be a transformer, or "step-down," substation. It will take electricity at 220,000 volts from the Big Creek transmission line, reduce the voltage, and then feed it to distribution and other substations in the San Joaquin valley. By means of this installation a new "trunk line," or source of power, will be available to greatly increase the supply of electricity to the valley and reinforce the capacity of the Edison system throughout the area.

Completion of the Springville substation is dependent upon the delivery of equipment and materials, but construction is scheduled to begin as soon as the site has been prepared.

BUSINESS MEETING IS DISCUSSED

'How to conduct a good business meeting" was the topic for discussion at a meeting of 4-H club officers and club leaders held recently in the Porterville union high school cafeteria. John A. Emo, assistant Tulare county farm advisor and Theresa M. Varney, assistant county home demostration agent were in charge of the meeting.

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"Housewife Determines Price Of Meat," Says Local Cattleman After Trip East

"It's the housewife who deter- ket, the wholesaler and meat mines the price of meat," according to John Guthrie, White River cattleman and president of the California Cattleman's association, who recently returned from a survey trip through middle western and eastern states.

Guthrie based his statement on the fact that since meat is a perishable item, it must be sold rapidly. He says that if meat, "backs up" on the retail marpacker is forced to buy and sell to remain high, or to raise.

In company with heads of cattleman associations from 17 other states, Guthrie spent 12 days with representatives of the Swift Meat company, following cattle from the Chicago stock yards through the various processing steps and into retail stores in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and other large, east-coast cities.

SPEAKS HERE

In speaking before veteran agricultural classes at Porterville Union High school, Guthrie compared problems of the middle western and west-coast producers of beef, and told of proceedure used by the Swift company in getting meat onto the major retail markets.

Whereas California cattlemen "sell in the country" for consumption on local markets, the middle western livestock man usually sells through stock yards, the largest of which is in Chicago, for consumption in markets from 1,000 to 2,000 miles away. Job of meat packers, Guthrie states is to bridge the gap between producer and ultimate meat consumer.

Guthrie was impressed by the accuracy with which cattle buyers in Chicago can estimate the dressed value of cattle on the hoof, also with the close contact that the Chicago offices of Swift maintain with the major market price trends. He was also

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impressed by the quality of cattle that move through the Chicago stock yards.

MEAT NOT AGED

Eastern meat is not aged, as in the west, Guthrie says. At the Swift Chicago plant, 160 cattle per hour are killed, with only a one-day storage capacity, making it mandatory that each day's kill move out rapidly to the company's various branch houses. Only aging is in transit, since, with branch house storage capacity also limited, there is no time or space for aging.

He states that Swift officials claim scientific proof that meat is at its best the day after it is killed; that it does not improve with age.

The meat packing industry is the third largest industry in the United States, Guthrie says. If poultry and meat products are included, the meat industry is the largest national industry.

Statistics given by Guthrie show that two-thirds of all beef is produced west of the Mississippi, but that two-thirds of all beef consumed goes east of the Mississippi. Eighty-two per cent of marketed beef is grass fed; 12 per cent improved pasture or hay fed and six per cent grain or concentrate fed.

SMALL PER CENT PRIME Of all beef killed in the United States last year, one-half of 1 per cent was graded "prime;" 24 1/2 per cent, "choice" or "good" and 75 per cent below "good."

Residents of the six New England states eat the most meat, on a basis of population, in the nation, and demand is for top quality, heavy carcasses. New York demand is for light weight carcasses and lower grades.

Retail prices in the east, as compared to the west, do not have such a wide range, Guthrie states; choice cuts selling for less and hamburger selling for more. Retailers in the east, he states, operate on an 11 to 15 per cent margin, depending upon heavy volume for profit, while western retailers, generally speaking, operate on a greater margin of profits. New York, he says, consumes 35 million pounds of beef per week.

ALL PARTS USED

In the processing of butchered beef, Guthrie states, all parts of the animal, except actual contents of the stomack, are used for some commercial purpose.

Guthrie stated that it is to the advantage of western cattlemen to learn to estimate the dressed value of the animals they sell if they are to get the best possible price. He also urged them

to watch figures on meat in coolers as a criterion for future market estimates.

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what to do with.

The creamery has engaged an expert butter maker in the person of J. Watson, of Los Angeles. who will also commence the manufacture of cheese if the price of butter goes down.

At the annual meeting of stockholders in the Porterville Hotel company, Tuseday evening at the Pioneer hotel, the following were elected for the ensuing year: V. D. Knupp, president; Robert Baker, vice president; R. Bradley, secretary; the Pioneer Bank, treasurer and George G. Murry and F. E. Woodley, directors.

H. O. Smith is exhibiting a Porterville curio at the Tulare Fair, in the shape of a two legged calf. Both its forelegs are missing, it having been born without them.

Mrs. F. W. Beebe is mourning the loss of a fat goose, a roll of butter and some - potatoes, which were stolen from her refrigerator which was on the back porch of her house. A live turkey was also stolen from Mrs. Hockett and a ham and other things from a house across the slough.

The citrus exhibits of Porterville, Exeter and Lindsay at the We Pickup and Deliver Throug Tulare fair were very good. A. G. Schultz was in charge of the Porterville exhibit.

The football game yesterday between Stanford and Berkely was a hotly contested game and resulted in victory for Stanford 8-0.

Peter Ting, of Plano, leaves Monday for Germany to visit PLUMBING his parents. He expects to return in March.

The orange shipments, up to yesterday, were Earl Fruit company, 69 cars; A. Gregory, 33 cars and Fay Fruit company, 12 cars.

A dozen pheasants arrived here from Oregon, Monday, and were turned loose above the clubhouse Several citizens of Porterville subscribed the amount for their purchase.

Louie Fields sold his place on Martin avenue to Harry Talbot of the Pioneer stable in Porterville.

Sixteen hundred fine looking sheep were driven through Plano this week enroute for Frazier valley. They belong to Mr. Brown of Plano and are as good as Klondyke gold this year.

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1½ c brown sugar

1/2 c water

1 tsp prepared mustard

Mix all together and bring to a good boil. Pour over ham loaf. Bake 1/2 hour in a moderate oven. Baste often. When done place sliced pineapple on loaves and let brown.

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4 stiff beaten egg whites

4 egg yolks

% c sugar

1 tsp. vanilla

T cake flour

1/4 tsp salt

½ tsp. baking powder

squares melted chocolate

Fold sugar Into beaten egg whites. Fold in well-beaten egg yolks and vanilla, Sift flour, salt and baking powder three times. Fold into egg mixture. Add chocolate. Bake in large, flat pau which has been lined with wax paper, at 375 degrees for 15 minutes. When done, turn out on a clean cloth, trin off edges and score edges to keep from cracking when rolled. Roll up. When cool, unroll and spread with whipped cream. Reroll and slice.

No shortage of labor is reported generally in the orange deal this year.

Prairie Center Meeting Planned

A demonstration on the selection of chinaware will be held by the Prarie Center home demostration group on December 18, it was announced this week by Clara E. Cowgill, Tulare county home demostration agent.

Place of the meeting will be announced at a later date, accoring to Miss Cowgill.

Household Hints

To clean white enamelware. boil in a strong solution of water and baking soda.

To remove food that has been burned onto a grante pan, put a little fat, of any kind, in the pan and warm slowly. The fat will soften the burned-on food so that it may be easily scraped off.

To brighten badly discolored aluminum pans, boil apple parings in them for a short time. Aluminum may also be cleaned with a cloth diped in lemon juice

A combination of lemon juice and salt makes a good cleaning combination for copper vessels that have become smoke blackened.

Stain resulting from baking may be removed from dishes by soaking in strong borax and wa-

4-H Club Officers Are Installed At Burton Meeting

Roger Overstreet was installed as president of the Burton 4-H club at a meeting of the organization held regently at the Burton school. Other officers seated were: Paul Sharp, vice president; Mildred Pitigliano, secretary and Alice McMillen, reporter. Margaret Wilson led the installation.

Miss Theresa Varney, assistant home demonstration agent of Tulare county, spoke at the meeting, discussing the work of parents in assisting with 4-H club activity. She also presented pins and stripes to club members earning them through proiect work .

First year project members of the Burton club include: Jimmy Baxley, Neil Carpenter, Darrel Daley, LaVerne Jennings, Carolyn Jones and Don Pike; second year projects include: Rahno Darr, Melvin Jennings, Alice McMillen, Joy Overstreet, Roger Overstreet, Mildred Pitigliano, Joann Ransford, Paul Sharp, Albert Smith, Don Stockbridge, Sharon Castle and Ronald Mortenson.

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> Which means that the tax trend is definitely upward. The question is, do we get value received for those tax dollars spent and just how high can taxes go before their own weight sinks the people who pay them?

> Thirty years ago the "little red school house" was good enough to get the educational job done. Today, we need extensive school plants, playgrounds, large staffs of teachers and administrators.

> Thirty years ago a few modest roads were all that traffic of the times demanded. Today we need wide, high-speed highways and airfields to meet the demands of modern travel.

> Thirty years ago the problems of health, sanitation, and welfare were pretty much an individual proposition. Today, we believe that the counties and states and nation must spend considerable money and maintain extensive physical and administrative facilities to meet the problems coming under these heads.

> Thirty years ago there were few if any memorial districts, cemetary districts, mosquito abatement districts, water conservation districts, hospital districts. But today we think that modern living demands the benefits that come from such tax-supported units.

> And, getting away from items classed under a "local" status, we, as a nation, still have a war or two to pay for out of those tax dollars.

> So we get back to the question, are we getting our money's worth? The answer depends upon our own personal outlook. In spite of talk of "the good old days," it is our opinion that few persons would actually want to trade these new days for the old. And how heavy does the tax load get before it sinks us? Your guess is probably as good as the best guess of the top economists.

> But one thing seems certain. Somewhere there is a breaking point. Consequently, it is to our own personal interest to turn a critical eve toward the actions of our political leaders and toward the actions of those individuals who spend our tax money.

> We, as individuals, must decide what we need most from those tax dollars. Somewhere along the line you and I must choose between the "essential" public spending and the spending that is only "desireable."

> Certainly, we must continue to think in terms of progress, but at the same time there is a point along the line where this constant up trend of taxes must stop.

Civic leaders of Delano are pushing a plan to gain state approval of an agricultural district for the Delano area through which a fair district could be set up.

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A number of local men are assisting on various committees in preparation for the 31st annual convention of the California Cattlemen's association that will be held in Bakersfield, December 12 and 13.

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Marvin Hoover has been named extension specialist in cotton for the University of California Agricultural Extension service. He will work with farm advisors in cotton-producing counties.

Six sisters and one brother of the Olsen family at Buttonwillow accounted for 27 ribbons with 18 steers: 16 hogs and two lambs shown at the Great Western Livestock show in Los Angeles.

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Other officers include: E. H. Spoor, of Wolf, Nevada, president; W. C. Grover, of Anderson, Shasta county, vice president and William G. Bonelli. Saugus, secretary-treasurer.

During the Polled Hereford sale, a top price of \$4,000 was paid for a bull offered by the Golden State Hereford ranch in Stanislaus county. Buyers were J. H. and H. J. Reamer of Yolo County.

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Clothing Leaders Plan Meeting

A 4-H Clothing Leader Training meeting will be held in the lounge of the Congregational church, 600 Mill street, Porterville, on December 10, from 2 to 4:30 p. m. Subjects to be discussed include: Selection and care of sewing equipment, scoring shoes in the record book, the 4-H collar and cuff, keeping record books, "To Do and Learn," the simple placket and a new machine hem.

According to Miss Theresa M.

Varney, assistant home demonstration agent, all 4-H club leaders around Porterville and interested 4-H mothers and other women are invited to attend.

Final attendance count at the Grand National Livestock exposition, held recently in San Francisco, shows that 126,015 persons attended the 13 performances of the show.

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County 4-H Leaders Hold Porterville Meet

Tulare County 4-H Leaders who completed their first year of service last year were awarded 4-H leader pins at the council meeting Tuesday, at the Porterville High School cafeteria. R. H. Biggs of the First National Bank of Orosi, County Key Banker of the California Banker's association, presented the pins from the association.

Nadine Costner and Dale Gill, the 1947 Tulare County 4-H All-Stars, were awarded all-star pins from the University of California. Junior Leaders were awarded Junior Leader cap emblems.

After a short business meeting the leaders held their annual Christmas party. Games were played under the leadership of Mrs. Rubye Costner, Manzanillo 4-H club. Refreshments were served by a committee consisting of Mrs. J. D. Overstreet, Burton; Mrs. John Mitchell, Lindsay; and Mrs. Felix Rountree, Vandalia.

4-H division at the Great Western Livestock show in Los Angeles.

Johnny Dennis took a second in the same class and Arlin Morris a third. C. U. Hatfield, Vandalia 4-H, took a fifth and Dale Gill, Springville 4-H, a seventh.

In the heavyweight class, Jim-Flynn, Ducor, took a sixth and Arlin Morris placed ninth in showmanship.

In the Angus heavyweight, Future Farmer division, Don Vossler, of Porterville Union High school, took an eighth.

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